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H. R. 5988

To amend the Truth in Lending Act to impose a cap on the rate of interest that may be charged on consumer credit card accounts, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2008

Mr. HINCHEY (for himself, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. LEE, Mr. KUCINICH, and Ms. WOOLSEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Fair and Justifiable
5 Credit Card Interest Rate Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON UNFAIR AND USURIOUS CREDIT**
2 **CARD INTEREST RATES.**

3 Section 107 of the Truth in Lending Act (U.S.C.
4 1606) is amended by adding at the end the following new
5 subsection:

6 “(f) NATIONAL CONSUMER CREDIT CARD INTEREST
7 RATE CAP.—The annual percentage rate applicable to any
8 extension of credit on a credit card account under an open
9 end consumer credit plan may not exceed 20 percent.”.

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